

# DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BUILDING CODE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM

2003 ICC FAMILY OF CODES

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CODE	IBC	SECTION NO.	1009.3	SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO.	FLS-8		
PROPOSING SUBCOMMITTEE	FLS	CHAIR	Devlin	PHONE	301/220-1212	E-mail	john_devlin@schirmereng.com
DATES: OF PROPOSAL	04/20/05	BCAC PRESENTATION	04/20/05	BCAC APPROVAL			

CHECK ONE ☒ *Revise section to read as follows:* ☐ *Delete section and substitute the following:*  
☐ *Add new section to read as follows:* ☐ *Delete section without substitution.*

TYPE ALL TEXT IN 12-POINT TIMES NEW ROMAN FONT

~~LINE THROUGH TEXT TO BE DELETED~~ (highlight text, under *Format*, click font and check strikethrough)

UNDERLINE TEXT TO BE ADDED

*Revise Section 1009.3 Exception 5 to read as follows:*

5. In occupancies in Group R-3, as applicable in Section 101.2, within dwelling units in occupancies in Group R-2, as applicable in Section 101.2, and in occupancies in Group U, which are accessory to an occupancy in Group R-3, as applicable in Section 101.2, the maximum riser height shall be ~~7.75 inches (197 mm)~~ 8.25 inches (210 mm) and the minimum tread depth shall be ~~40 inches (254 mm)~~ 9 inches (229 mm), the minimum winder tread depth at the walk line shall be ~~40 inches (254 mm)~~ 9 inches (229 mm), and the minimum winder tread depth shall be 6 inches (152 mm). A nosing not less than 0.75 inch (19.1 mm) but not more than 1.25 inches (32 mm) shall be provided on stairways with solid risers where the tread depth is less than ~~11 inches (279 mm)~~ 10 inches (254 mm).

Anticipated impact of code change on cost of construction (CHECK ONE)

☐ *Increase* ☐ *Decrease* ☒ *Negligible* ☐ *Unknown*

If "Increase" box was checked, indicate estimated range of added cost:

Per 1,000 SF single-family dwelling	\$		to	\$	
Per 1,000SF of commercial building	\$		to	\$	

## JUSTIFICATION OF CHANGE:

The requirements are inappropriate provisions due to local conditions/building constraints especially in older neighborhoods due to physical site plan and urban planning. These provisions hamper the economic development of the District without clearly contributing to the safety, health and welfare of the building occupants or population at large. The proposed amendments provide a reasonable degree of protecting the safety, health and welfare of the building occupants or population at large.